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The new building has been designed to preserve the campus atmosphere and wooded environment of the site, and to maintain the presence of the existing building as the Headquarters entrance. The new building is being built into the hillside west of the existing cafeteria. When finished, it will consist of two six-story office towers constructed of green-tinted glass curtain walls with horizontal and vertical divisions designed to be compatible with the existing Headquarters facade. The four-story atrium will contain an employee services concourse and four

levels of outdoor planters which will recreate some of the lost greenery of the hill. The ground floor exterior base, which is being constructed of concrete to emulate the existing building, will contain building support functions. Entrance to the new building will be at the fourth floor level on the west side and adjacent to the new parking deck. Two escalators will expedite the movement of personnel between the fourth and first floors.

The courtyard space between the two buildings is designed to preserve the existing large trees near the cafeteria, and additional plantings, park benches, tables, and pathways will be provided to encourage use of this space by Agency employees. This courtyard will also provide a pleasant view from the existing cafeteria and the atrium of the new building.

The new building incorporates the latest materials and construction techniques to permit rapid space reconfiguration at minimum cost. The entire office and computer space will be on raised flooring, and a system of plug-in wiring will be used for electrical distribution. The air conditioning will be a variable volume system which is inherently flexible and can easily accommodate reconfigurations of interior space. Energy conservation has been stressed throughout, with the most noticeable evidence the unique double wall exterior. This double wall provides an insulating barrier on all sides.

The three-level parking deck has also been designed to complement the campus atmosphere of the site and to provide a low profile for our neighbors at The Claude Moore Colonial Farm at Turkey Run and the Turner-Fairbank Highway Research Station. The parking deck has been built into a small hillside in the existing West Parking Lot and has surface access at each level, eliminating the need for interior ramps between levels. The top level of the deck and the adjacent surface parking will be landscaped to soften the large area.

A new visitor center and security checkpoint will be constructed east of the main entrance drive. This facility will permit improved security procedures that will validate visitors' credentials before they are admitted to the site. The security checkpoint will also be the Agency terminus for Metro buses and taxis. Shuttle service will be provided from this facility to the Headquarters entrance. A second security checkpoint at the parkway entrance will provide improved procedures for employee access.

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